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WHAT has become of the Kala-kaua monument fund, the collection of which aroused so much zeal a year and more ago? The trustees have got about \$2000, and there they have come to a full stop. The subscribers of this sum would like to see something done with their money, and as long as they cannot get it back, perhaps the most sensible disposition of it would be to provide for a bust, instead of waiting "on the Kathleen Mavourneen plan" for it to grow to something more considerable.

## LEGISLATIVE EXTRAS.

Another of the "petty thief" resolutions by which the members of the House are in the habit of converting to their own use small articles of Government property has passed the Legislature, this time by a majority of one. The subject of larceny in the present instance is the Compiled Laws (would not the Penal Code have been the most sensible?), on which the assembled wisdom of the State has been feeding itself fat for the past seven months. The laws of the land are something with which every good citizen should be familiar, so that the motives of the Legislature, in making this misappropriation, are as commendable as their ways of doing it are dark and vain. Their conduct reminds one of the theologian who stole a copy of Thomas a Kempis' "Imitation of Christ."

This matter, however, has a side which is serious. The practice of voting oneself all sorts of little perquisites, law books and other "good things to have," is none the less a vice because it is a small one. The remuneration of members of the House is fixed by law. It is, or has been, \$250 for representatives. "Extras" are not provided for. It is proper that the expenses of the Legislature include such things as are required to carry on the business of the House in a proper manner. It should not include anything else. These petty extensions of the scope of the appropriation are unworthy of men of honor. Legislators should consider themselves custodians of the public funds, and should be as precise and conscientious in their administration as any private trustee in the management of the property entrusted to his charge. The cost of forty or fifty volumes of the Compiled Laws is not perhaps a matter of any great magnitude, but it is typical of other expenditures of a like nature, which in the end represent a considerable sum. It is too late for the present Legislature to institute a reform in this matter. It is not too late for the members to repent and determine to turn over a new leaf when they come back prepared to shed around them the rays of a newly-filled lamp of wisdom in 1894.

## THE LOTTERY BILL.

(From Daily, Jan. 12.)

The House passed yesterday the worst bill which has been introduced this session. It passed a bill granting a franchise to certain individuals—some of them unknown, and some known unfavorably—to establish a lottery in Hawaii. Just why the bill was passed must be left to one's knowledge of the persons who passed it. There is not one sound argument to be advanced in its favor. A lottery will not bring money into the country, but take it out. What is received from abroad will go out again as prizes and profits, together with half of all it can suck out of the earnings of Hawaiians. It will not bring population; a lottery does not do that. We must have gambling tables if we want to attract a population of gamblers, stepping off by way of murder and suicide to make

way for their fleeting followers. The lottery will bring in a few diamond-studded sports and loafers, but its principal business will be making loafers and sports—without the diamonds—of the people who are here. The lottery will not be the employer of labor, for a few clerks will do its business, and a rented office or two will furnish all the room it wants. The only way it will help the free laborer will be by making convict labor plentiful—a doubtful service to anyone. It will not increase the wealth of the country, but diminish it by breaking up the habits of thrift and industry, which are the foundation of all material prosperity. It will give the country an unenviable notoriety abroad, and damage its honor wherever it is known. Finally, the establishment of an unscrupulous corporation of such tremendous power in the heart of the capital city will interfere with the freedom of the franchise, corrupt the police and the executive, call into full activity all the elements of political intrigue, interfere with the freedom of legislative action, encourage bribery, overshadow the Government, imperil, and in the last instance destroy, the independence of the country.

Article 47 of the Constitution reads as follows:

Art. 47. The Legislature has full power and authority to amend the Constitution as hereinafter provided; and from time to time to make all manner of wholesome laws, not repugnant to the Constitution.

Is a law establishing an immensely powerful gambling corporation in a vest pocket kingdom like Hawaii, a "wholesome" law? Gambling is recognized all over the civilized world as a vice. It would be ridiculous to compare the carefully regulated and honestly administered lotteries of Germany, objectionable as they are, to such an organization as the Louisiana lottery, or to such a one as would be established here. Is it "wholesome" to place side by side with the Government a private gambling corporation which would be more powerful, because it would have a larger revenue than the State itself? Lotteries were expelled from England long ago. The moral sentiment of the American people has just condemned to death the Louisiana Lottery as an enemy, not alone to private morals, not alone to the sobriety, honesty and prosperity of the population, but to the independence and safety of the State. It seems to us that a law licensing a corporation which will, beyond a question, imperil the independence of the Government, is very far from being "wholesome." If Her Majesty signs the bill, the question of its constitutionality will probably be brought before the Supreme Court at an early date.

Will the Queen sign the Lottery bill? The veto is her personal prerogative, as the Supreme Court has interpreted the Constitution. It was intended to be exercised only on occasions of great moment, when the State is threatened by a serious peril. She has, however, already made use of it in a trivial instance. She cannot sign the bill now without making herself a party to the dishonor which the Legislature yesterday brought upon the nation. It will be interesting to observe what stand Her Majesty, who is, we believe, a professing Christian and church member, will take upon the momentous issue before her.

So much for the Lottery Bill on its theoretical side. From the practical point of view, we rejoice to say that the men who passed it have done more damage to their own reputations—if they were capable of any further damage—than they have to anyone else. The grantees of the franchise are, as far as known, irresponsible persons, without any financial backing, who have pushed the bill as a speculative enterprise, and who pay chiefly in fine words and windy promises. Impecunious as

they are, overloaded with amendments and conditions as the bill is, and unconstitutional as the whole measure may be, the promoters will probably be able to do nothing with their law even if the Queen signs it, and the Court upholds it. The whole thing will probably be speedily buried in an ignominious oblivion.

We had intended to comment on the course of the honorables Peterson and Bush in the lottery transaction, as it offers an inviting field for the moralist, but our space is wanted for news this morning, and the demerits of these gentlemen are no news.

## PICTURES ON CANVAS.

## A Pleasing Entertainment at Kaunakapili Church.

Mr. Taylor's organ concert last Tuesday p. m. at the Kaunakapili Church was a pleasing innovation in the entertainment line, being a combination programme in which brilliant pictures were shown to musical accompaniments. Her Majesty's portrait was shown while "Aloha Oe" was rendered on the organ, and then followed a varied selection of views, embracing statuary, cloud effects, panorama scenes, etc.

"Greenland's Icy Mountain," was rendered very strikingly by a choir, while a number of beautiful colored views were shown appropriately illustrating each couplet. The effect was striking, and the well-known hymn seemed to breathe a new meaning as the immense pictures were thrown to view. The singing was done by Misses Kulamau Ward and Von Holt and Messrs. Geo. Smithies and S. E. Pierce.

Miss Ward also rendered "Home, Sweet Home" in a very artistic manner, which elicited applause. The audience was well pleased with the nature of the entertainment, and at the close Mr. C. Hedemann exhibited a number of slides illustrating Hawaiian scenes, which were gems of photographic art. Mr. Hedemann has developed a wonderful tact in the manufacture of lantern slides, and his productions are pronounced by critics equal to any made. The large photograph was manipulated by that gentleman in a skillful manner.

## A THRIFTY SET.

## Arrest of a Young Thief and His Pals.

For some time complaints have been made by merchants of petty thefts which had been made in their stores, and although a strict watch had been kept the thief could not be detected. Captain A. S. Mahaulu arrested three native boys on Jan. 9th the guilty parties, and it was afterwards discovered that they are the right ones. The eldest of the three is named Kalauao and he is charged with larceny, while the other two boys will be held as witnesses. The two boys say that they did not commit any thefts and only acted as lookouts for their companion.

The first place they robbed was Dwight's cigar store on Fort street, when Kalauao stole \$28 in coin and four plugs of tobacco. The place was forced open with a file and a piece of iron.

This robbery occurred about a month ago and since then the trio have devoted their spare time to various stores about town which they relieved of different articles. Two visits were made to Waterhouse's Queen street store, and as a result they obtained a football and two pairs of rubber shoes. Hoffschlaeger's store was robbed of two boxes of padlocks; Thrum's store furnished some trumpets, two music boxes and a velocipede. Several other stores were also robbed of articles all of which were sold to a Japanese storekeeper on Maunakea street.

The Japanese was arrested in the afternoon and charged with buying stolen property.

Kalauao, the young native boy who was arrested the other day for larceny, has been sent to the Reformatory School until he becomes of age. One of his accomplices, Momoa, was sent to the same institution for one year.

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